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## POLICE AGENCIES TO CONDUCT UNDERAGE DRINKING ENFORCEMENT

{Date} Local law enforcement agencies, including {insert agencies' names} conducted special underage drinking enforcement during {time period}. Agencies made {no.} enforcement contacts, including issuing {no.} of minor-in-possession citations and {insert any other noteworthy activities}.

"Enforcement is used as an education tool to discourage participation in underage drinking," said {insert name and title}. "Community support for this type of program is crucial to aggressively address youth alcohol issues. With this support, a community can have an impact on the collective problems associated with underage drinking, including traffic crashes, assaults and other crimes."

These patrols are funded through a grant with the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning and U.S. Department of Justice's Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Program. The goal of the grant is to eliminate underage consumption of alcohol; establish close working relationships between law enforcement and schools and promote community awareness regarding the problems associated with youth access to alcohol.

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